

City of Rockville, Maryland

Mayor and Council Walking Town Meeting with Hungerford Neighborhood

> Saturday, April 30, 2016 Meeting No. 17-16 4:00 pm- 6:00 pm

Dawson Farm Park, 312 Ritchie Parkway Rockville, Maryland 20852

Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland Attest: Sara Taylor-Ferrell, Acting City Clerk



City of Rockville Mayor and Council Agenda Item

| For the meeting on: | April 30, 2016 |
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| Agenda Item Type: | Worksession |
| Department: | City Manager |
| Division: | City Manager |
| Responsible staff: | Hjarman Cordero, Senior Neighborhood Resources Coordinator phone: (240) 314 - 240-314-8344 email: HCordero@rockvillemd.gov |

Subject

Hungerford Neighborhood Walking Town Meeting

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Council conduct a walking town meeting in the Hungerford neighborhood with the Hungerford Civic Association.

Discussion

The Mayor and Council members will hold a walking town meeting with the Hungerford Civic Association on April 30, 2016 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Participants will meet at the Dawson Farm Park located at 312 Ritchie Parkway, for a walk through the neighborhood along a route identified by the Association (Attachment A.) Hungerford also provided a list of eight items to view and discuss during the walk (Attachment B.) The route is approximately 1 mile in length and concludes at the Dawson Farm Park.

Free street parking is available adjacent to the starting point at the intersection of Ritchie Parkway and Crothers Lane.

The Mayor and Council members will be joined by the Acting City Manager, City Clerk, and representatives of the Police, Public Works, Recreation and Parks and Community Planning and Development Services departments for a leisurely walk and conversation with the neighborhood president and residents.

Mayor and Council History

During calendar year 2015, the Mayor and Council held Walking Town Meetings in East Rockville on April 18 and in Twinbrook on June 6. The 2014 Walking Town Meetings were hosted by the North Farm and Potomac Woods neighborhoods.

Public Notification and Engagement

The City Clerk's Office advertised the meeting as required for all Mayor and Council meetings. The Hungerford Civic Association notified the neighbors using their neighborhood list serve and website. Neighborhood Resources will place signs in the neighborhood inviting to the meeting.

Next Steps

Staff will follow up with the neighborhood on any outstanding issues or questions following the meeting.

Attachments



Attachment A Map Hungerford WTM 2016.pdf



Attachment B Hungerford Civic Association List for Walking Town Meeting.pdf

City Manager

City Manager:

Craig Simoneau, Acting City Manager

Approval Date: 04/21/2016



Date: April 30, 2 Time: 4 to 6 pm

Starting: Dawson Farm Park 312 Ritchie Pkwy

Route:

Brice Rd.

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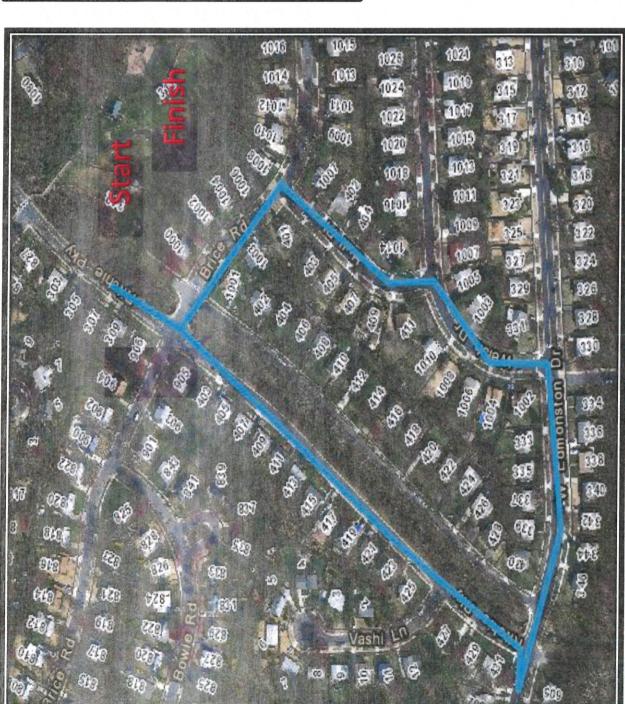
Welsh Dr.

New Elementary School site 332 Edmonston Dr

W. Edmonston Dr.

Ritchie PKWY
 End: Dawson Farm Park

Parking: Ritchie PKWY and Crothers La.



The President of the Hungerford Civic Association, Aaron Fein, shared the following information after asking the community what issues were important to them. These issues will be addressed during the Walking Town Meeting on April 30, 2016.

- Preserving character of neighborhood restricting mansionization
- City needs to do more when a homeowner allows a house to deteriorate
- Invasive species in parks
- Elementary school traffic and environmental impacts from idling cars
- Dogwood Park playground equipment needs to be upgraded, lights are always on
- Rental properties How many are there? Should there be a limit? Can we see the list of properties with rental certificates?
- Neighborhood entrances (welcome signs, landscape, etc.)
- Need more garbage cans with dog bags; another dog park?